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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Lee H. Veneklasen et al.

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FOR: IMMERSION LENS WITH MAGNETIC SHIELD  
FOR CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM SYSTEM

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Sir:

This Amendment "A" is in response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response of July 10, 2003.

Claims 1 - 29 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 - 16 and 25 - 29 are withdrawn from consideration.

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Claims 17 - 24 are rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph.

Claims 17 - 24 are rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,079,428, to Da Lin et al.

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